OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE IN MYSORE, BANGALORE.

WORKING CLASS COST OF LIVING INDEX NUMBER FOR BANGALORE CITY FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 1946.

A Rise of Three points.

The Cost of Living Index Number for working classes in Bangalore City for the month of March 1946, works up to 199·8 showing a rise of three points over the previous month's figure.

As compared with the previous month, the Index Number of the Food group rose further by 5·4 points to 249·0 on account of an increase in the prices of Turdhal, Bengalgram, Dhal, Avaredhal, Greengram and Jaggery, Ghee, Gingelly oil, Groundnut oil, Cocoanut, Tamarind, Chillies and Coriander seeds.

The Index Number of Fuel and Lighting group advanced by 1·4 points to 203.6 as a result of an increase in the price of castor oil.

A slight decrease in the price of dhoties accounted for a fall in the Index Number of the Clothing group by 0·1 point to 192·8.

The Index Numbers of House Rent and Miscellaneous groups remained constant.

(Average prices from July 1935 to June 1936=100)

Articles	Unit of quantity	Weight proportional to total expenditure	Average prices per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936	February 1946	March 1946	Index Numbers: Feb. 1946	March 1946
Food—			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Raw Rice	... Seer	14·0	0 2 2	0 4 7	0 4 7	212	212
Boiled Rice	... ,,	22·6	0 2 3	0 4 7	0 4 7	204	204
Ragi	... ,,	6·6	0 1 1	0 2 8	0 2 8	246	246
Blackgram Dhal	... ,,	0·7	0 3 1	0 10 8	0 10 8	346	346
Tur Dhal	... ,,	3·4	0 2 8	0 7 10	0 9 6	294	356
Bengalgram Dhal	... ,,	1·4	0 2 11	0 8 2	0 8 6	280	291
Avare Dhal	... ,,	0·6	0 2 7	0 8 8	0 9 11	335	384
Greengram	... ,,	1·2	0 2 0	0 6 9	0 7 6	338	375
Sugar	... Viss	1·9	0 1 4	0 2 3	0 2 3	169	169
Jaggery	... ,,	1·9	0 3 6	0 10 4	0 11 8	295	3 3
Coffee seeds	... Seer	1·4	0 3 11	0 12 6	0 12 5	319	317
Meat (weight) 2 lbs. Wt.	,,	7·2	0 7 0	1 8 0	1 8 0	343	343
Curds	... Seer	1·9	0 1 7	0 4 0	0 4 0	253	253
Milk	... ,,	6·1	0 3 7	0 6 5	0 6 5	179	179
Ghee	... ,,	2·7	0 6 0	1 2 2	1 3 11	303	332
Onions	... Viss	1·0	0 1 3	0 4 0	0 3 8	320	293
Vegetables	... ,,	5·6	0 2 6	0 8 8	0 8 7	347	343
Fruits	... Doz.	0·9	0 2 0	0 3 3	0 3 0	163	150
Gingelly oil	... Seer	2·5	0 2 0	0 5 9	0 6 4	288	317
Groundnut oil	... ,,	0·4	0 1 8	0 5 1	0 5 9	305	345
Salt	... ,,	1·1	0 1 3	0 1 11	0 1 11	153	153
Cocoanut	... Each	1·0	0 1 0	8 3 3	0 3 6	325	350
Tamarind	... Viss	0·9	0 3 3	0 5 5	0 5 8	167	174
Chillies	... ,,	2·0	0 7 4	2 5 8	2 6 6	514	525
Coriander	... Seer	1·3	0 1 5	0 8 0	0 8 2	565	576
Garlic	... ,,	0·7	0 2 0	0 4 11	0 4 10	246	242
Wheat Flour	...	1·4	0 4 10	0 4 10	0 4 10	100	100
Soji	...	1·3	0 4 6	0 4 6	0 4 6	100	100
Ready made coffee	...	6·3	1 5 7	1 5 7	1 5 7	100	100
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
All Food-Index Number of all Food Articles			...	...		243·6	249·0

Articles	Unit of quantity	Weight proportional to total expenditure	Average prices per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936	February 1946	March 1946	Index Numbers: Feb. 1946	March 1946
Fuel and Lighting—			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Firewood	... Maund	72·0	0 2 6	0 4 11	0 4 11	197	197
Castor Oil	... Seer ...	7·7	0 1 11	0 5 8	0 6 0	296	313
Kerosene Oil	... Bottle	16·0	0 2 1	0 3 6	0 3 6	168	168
Match Box of 40 sticks	Each ...	4·3	0 0 2	0 0 5	0 0 5	250	250
Total	... ...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Clothing—	Index Number—Fuel and Lighting					202·2	203·6
Dhoties	Pair of 8 yards.	14·6	2 0 9	3 13 8	3 13 8	188	187
Coating	... Per Yard	22·5	0 5 6	0 10 9	0 10 9	195	195
Shirting	... ,,	21·5	0 4 0	0 7 6	0 7 6	188	188
Cloth for Pyjamas	,,	3·0	0 4 0	0 10 1	0 10 1	252	252
Sarees	... Each	22·4	3 0 0	5 10 0	5 10 0	188	188
Cloth for Jackets etc.,	Yard	16·0	0 5 0	0 9 10	0 9 10	197	197
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
House rent—	Index Number—Clothing					192.9	192·8
House rent	...	100·0	2 10 3	2 10 3	2 10 3	100	100
	Total ...	100 0					
Miscellaneous—	Index Number—House rent					100	100
Shaving	...	13·0	0 9 6	0 9 6	0 9 6	100	100
Washing soap	...	17·5	0 4 8	0 4 8	0 4 8	100	100
Supari	...	8·4	0 6 3	0 6 3	0 6 3	100	100
Beedi	...	11·2	0 6 9	0 6 9	0 6 9	100	100
Amusement	...	8·4	0 6 2	0 6 2	0 6 2	100	100
Education	...	5·0	0 3 8	0 3 8	0 3 8	100	100
Medicine	...	8·3	0 6 1	0 6 1	0 6 1	100	100
Flowers	...	5·7	0 4 3	0 4 3	0 4 3	100	100
Household Necessaries		22·5	1 0 8	1 0 8	1 0 8	100	100
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
	Index Number—Miscellaneous			...		100	100

Group	Weight proportional to the total expenditure	Group Index Number: February 1946	March 1946
Food	53·5	243·6	249·0
Fuel and Lighting ...	7·0	202·2	203·6
Clothing	13·8	192·9	192·8
House Rent	6·4	100·0	100·0
Miscellaneous	19·3	100·0	100·0
Total ...	100·0	...	...
Cost of Living Index Numbers ..	...	196·8	199·8

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WORKING CLASS COST OF LIVING INDEX NUMBER FOR KOLAR GOLD FIELDS AREA FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 1946.

A rise of one point.

The working class cost of Living Index number for Kolar Gold Fields Area, for the month of March 1946, works up to 219·8 which is higher than the previous month's figure by 1·3 points.

As compared with the previous month, the Index Number of the Food group registered a further rise by 1· points to 250·6 due to the rise in the prices of Turdhal, Avaredhal, Greengram Jaggery, Coffee seeds, Cocoanut, Groundnut oil, Chillies, and Tamarind.

The Index Number of the "Fuel and Lighting" group advance by 1·9 points to 227·0 as a result of an increase in the price of castor oil.

The Index Numbers of the clothing House Rent and Miscellaneous groups remained stationary. (Average prices from July 1935 to June 1936-100).

Names of the Articles	Unit of quantity	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936	February 1946	March 1946	Index Numbers: February 1946	March 1946
Food—			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Raw Rice	...Seer measure	3·5	0 2 0	0 4 7	0 4 7	229	229
Boiled Rice	... ,,	36·9	0 2 1	0 4 7	0 4 7	220	220
Ragi	... ,,	11·1	0 0 11	0 2 8	0 2 8	291	291
Blackgram Dhal	... ,,	0·4	0 2 11	0 10 8	0 10 8	366	366
Tur Dhal	... ,,	4·2	0 2 8	0 7 8	0 8 5	288	316
Bengalgram Dhal	... ,,	0·8	0 1 11	0 7 4	0 7 0	383	365
Avare Dhal	... ,,	0·6	0 2 1	0 7 6	0 9 4	360	448
Greengram	... ,,	0·6	0 1 11	0 6 8	0 7 5	348	387
Sugar	... Seer wt.	0·5	0 1 4	0 2 3	0 2 3	169	169
Jaggery	... Viss	2·8	0 3 3	0 8 11	0 9 10	274	303
Coffee seeds	... Seer wt.	1·8	0 4 0	0 10 3	0 10 8	256	267
Fish	... ,,	2·1	0 3 6	0 6 7	0 6 3	188	179
Meat	... 2 lbs.	9·0	0 8 0	1 5 0	1 8 0	263	300
Milk	...Seer measure	2·8	0 3 3	0 4 0	0 4 0	123	123
Curds	... ,,	0·6	0 2 0	0 2 0	0 2 0	100	100
Onions	... Viss	0·8	0 1 4	0 4 10	0 3 0	363	225
Ghee	... Seer wt.	1·1	0 6 0	0 10 0	0 8 10	167	147
Gingelly oil	... ,,	3·2	0 2 0	0 6 9	0 6 0	338	300
Cocoanut	... Each	0·8	0 1 2	0 2 1	0 2 6	179	314
Groundnut oil	... Seer wt.	0·6	0 1 7	0 4 11	0 5 0	311	316
Salt	...Seer measure	1·3	0 1 2	0 2 0	0 2 0	171	171
Chillies	... Viss	4·0	0 7 8	2 6 2	2 8 10	498	533
Tamarind	... ,,	1·4	0 2 7	0 3 3	0 3 7	126	139
Coriander	...Seer measure	1·2	0 1 4	0 8 0	0 8 0	600	600
Garlic	... Seer wt.	0·6	0 2 0	0 4 10	0 3 0	242	150
Soji	...	0·3	0 1 2	0 1 2	0 1 2	100	100
Vegetables	...	3·8	0 12 4	0 12 4	0 12 4	100	100
Ready made coffee	...	3·2	0 12 3	0 12 3	0 12 3	100	100
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number of all food articles		...	...	...	...	249·1	250·6
Fuel and Lighting.—							
Firewood	... Maund	75·1	0 2 0	0 4 7	0 4 7	229	229
Castor Oil	... Seer	7·8	0 2 3	0 7 6	0 8 0	333	356
Kerosene Oil	... Bottle	12·1	0 2 3	0 3 6	0 3 6	156	156
Matches Box of 40 sticks	... Each	5·0	0 0 3	0 0 5	0 0 5	167	167
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index No.—Fuel and Lighting	...	...	...	...	...	225·1	227·0

Names of the Articles	Unit of quantity	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936	February 1946	March 1946	Index Numbers: February 1946	March 1946
Clothing—			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Dhoties	... Pair of 8 yds.	9·3	2 1 0	3 13 8	3 13 8	187	186
Cloth for Pyjamas	Yard	1·7	0 4 4	0 10 1	0 10 1	233	233
Coating	.... ,,	20·4	0 6 5	0 10 9	0 10 9	168	168
Shirting	... ,,	14·7	0 5 0	0 7 6	0 7 6	150	150
Sarees	... Each	39·4	3 3 0	4 4 0	4 4 0	133	133
Cloth for Jackets, etc.	Yard	14·5	0 5 3	0 9 10	0 9 10	187	187
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number of clothing	...	...	...	...	...	157·1	157·1
House rent	... ...	100·0	0 10 9	0 10 9	0 10 9	100	100
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number for House rent	...	...	...	...	...	100·0	100·0
Miscellaneous—							
Barber	... ...	14·5	0 9 1	0 9 1	0 9 1	100	100
Soap for washing	... .	20·0	0 12 6	0 12 6	0 12 6	100	100
Soapnut powder	... ...	5·2	0 3 3	0 3 3	0 3 3	100	100
Supari	... ...	14·1	0 8 10	0 8 10	0 8 10	100	100
Beedies	... ...	15·7	0 9 10	0 9 10	0 9 10	100	100
Travelling expenses	...	6·7	0 4 2	0 4 2	0 4 2	100	100
Flowers	... ...	3·9	0 2 5	0 2 5	0 2 5	100	100
Amusements	....	8·1	0 5 1	0 5 1	0 5 1	100	100
Charges for grinding	... ...	6·1	0 3 10	0 3 10	0 3 10	100	100
Bedding and household necessaries		5·7	0 3 6	0 3 6	0 3 6	100	100
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number—Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	100·0	100·0

Group	Weight proportional to total expenditure	Index Numbers: February 1946	March 1946
Food	70·9	249·1	250·6
Fuel and Lighting	6·2	225·1	227·0
Clothing	9·1	157·1	157·1
House Rent	2·1	100·0	100·0
Miscellaneous	11·7	100·0	100·0
Total ...	100·0	...	...
Cost of Living Index Number ...	...	218·5	219·8

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